



Natural Help for...



Pet Arthritis

What is Arthritis?

Arthritis is a progressive disease and the simplest definition is inflammation of the joint. Any damage to the cartilage in the joint as well as the daily wear and tear that joints are subjected to during movement slowly destroys the thin layer of protective cartilage, and in response the body launches a reaction which leads to further **cartilage destruction and inflammation**. This is a classic no win situation and hence the progressive nature of arthritis.

Pets with arthritis may show no signs of lameness or discomfort but in other pets swelling of the joints, [pain](#) and creaking and clicking of the affected joints may be noted.

What are the symptoms of Arthritis?

- Limping
- Difficulty getting up
- [Pain](#) when jumping
- Joints making a creaking or crackling sound
- Stiffness

What causes Arthritis?

The causes are many and include trauma, such as cruciate ligament rupture, infection, and **immune-mediated diseases** or may even result due to malformation of the limbs such as bulldogs and daschunds.

Diagnosing Arthritis

A diagnosis will be based on a **history of trauma** – if the cause is injury or a gradual decline in mobility if it is age related. The vet will take x-rays and possibly blood tests.

Help for Arthritis

As a conscientious pet owner you obviously wish to do all you can to **restore your pet to health and vitality**. As part of a holistic, natural approach to the health of your pet's musculoskeletal system, a well balanced, natural, organic diet will supply all the nutrients needed to keep muscles, joints and bones in optimal health.

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Additionally you can **provide natural pain relief** from the discomfort of [arthritis](#) by using natural remedies containing Glucosamine, Harpagophytum procumbens, Arthrospira platenis, Calcium Fluoride, Natrium Phosphoricum, Natrium Sulphate and Lecithin.

Controlled exercise is an important part of [managing arthritis](#) in your pet. Although your dog may object to going out for a walk, by getting him/her up and walking, **blood circulation to all those painful joints** will be improved and the inflammatory substances that are involved in the discomfort of [arthritis](#) will be flushed away.

This is the reason that most owners report that the stiffness often disappears after a bit of exercise or even with warmer weather when **circulation is less sluggish**. Your arthritic cat will also benefit from a gentle game of seek-and-destroy the catnip mouse

More Information on Arthritis

[Treatment for arthritis](#) may be medical or surgical. Nonsurgical therapies include weight reduction (never underestimate the importance of this), **controlled exercise on soft surfaces** and/or hydrotherapy, and applying warm compresses, such as hot water bottles to those aching, [stiff joints](#).

Conventional medicine also makes use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatories (NSAIDs) such as aspirin, meloxicam, carprofen, phenylbutazone and corticosteroids. These act by **blocking certain pathways in the pain response** but long-term use must be carefully considered as adverse affects include gastro-intestinal problems such as poor appetite, vomiting and gastro-intestinal ulcers.

Certain NSAIDs can also cause damage to the kidneys. Great care must be used when treating cats with NSAIDs. Surgical options include **joint fusion, joint replacement** such as hip replacement, joint excision and amputation.

There's no way to prevent arthritic changes whether they're simply due to the ageing process or because of earlier trauma to the joint. Certainly prompt treatment of any **suspected joint or bone injury is highly recommended** and making sure that your pet doesn't become overweight will minimize the chances of [arthritis](#) developing.

Some useful tips

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- Feed a balanced, organic diet free from preservatives and colorants
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Michele Carelse, Clinical Psychologist



All of our natural remedies are formulated by our expert team of herbalists, naturopaths and homeopaths, and headed by Michele Carelse.

Michele has had years of experience in the manufacturing and use of natural remedies for both people and pets. In addition, she is a trained Clinical Psychologist and has been incorporating natural remedies into her treatment of patients with depression, anxiety, ADD, ADHD and stress for many years with spectacular results.

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The Natural Approach

While Western medicine has become the norm in many cultures, it is not the only treatment option. Conventional western medicine, often called allopathic medicine, is the system of medicine taught at most medical schools and most pharmaceutical and synthetic medicines are manufactured and marketed according to the principles of allopathic medicine. Allopathic medicine is also sometimes called orthodox medicine.

Because most of us in the Western world have grown up in a society in which allopathic medicine is the prevailing norm, we forget that, only a few decades ago, homeopathic, herbal and other natural medicines were commonly available – and freely used even by conventional doctors and veterinarians. While there are often heated debates about which system of medicine is ‘better’ than the other, many responsible doctors and vets (whether they are allopathic or not) recognize that both have a role to play in the treatment program.

Just like humans, domesticated animals like dogs and cats are affected by the health hazards of modern living. Pollution, poor nutrition, stress and unhealthy lifestyles can lead to a variety of illnesses and conditions that are very similar to those experienced by humans. In fact, many, if not most pet health concerns can be addressed by helping your pets to live a healthier lifestyle. While it has its place, conventional medicine for animals and 'modern technology' have failed our pets in many ways.

According to pet expert and author CJ Puotinen, most holistic veterinarians and animal health care professions list annual vaccinations and commercial pet foods as the major contributory cause in the rising rates of chronic illness in pets today. Similarly, Juliette de Bairacli Levy, respected author and renowned animal breeder, points out that contrary to the belief that mass vaccination and antibiotic use will contribute to a decrease in disease, the opposite has in fact proved true. Like their human counterparts, today's pets are becoming more and more vulnerable to chronic disease and ill health. This has led many veterinarians to search for alternatives and to espouse more holistic methods of keeping our pets healthy.

"In the wild, animals instinctively seek out healing herbs to help them when they are ill or undernourished. In fact, Asclepius, the ancient Greek god of medicine, respected dogs very highly for their ability to seek out and eat medicinal herbs in the wild. This ability is shared by other animals, including cats. We are coming to realize that nature often has the answers - but animals have always known this! Natural medicine can help your pet just as it can help you. While there is always a place for conventional veterinary medicine, natural medicine can compliment conventional veterinary care and in many cases do just as well. I have applied the same care and research that have gone into our Native Remedies range for adults and children to the development of pet-friendly, safe and effective natural remedies for animals. As always, all remedies are formulated to the highest therapeutic standards and manufactured under strict pharmaceutical conditions for your peace of mind and the well being of your pets. " Michele Carelse, Clinical Psychologist.

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Dr. Glenn Ferguson
M-Tech Homeopathy, Doctor of Chinese Medicine

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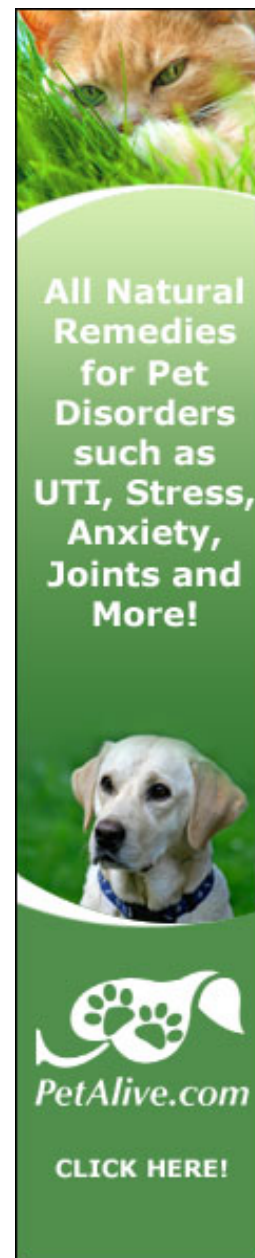
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